

A Focused Strategy in Aluminium

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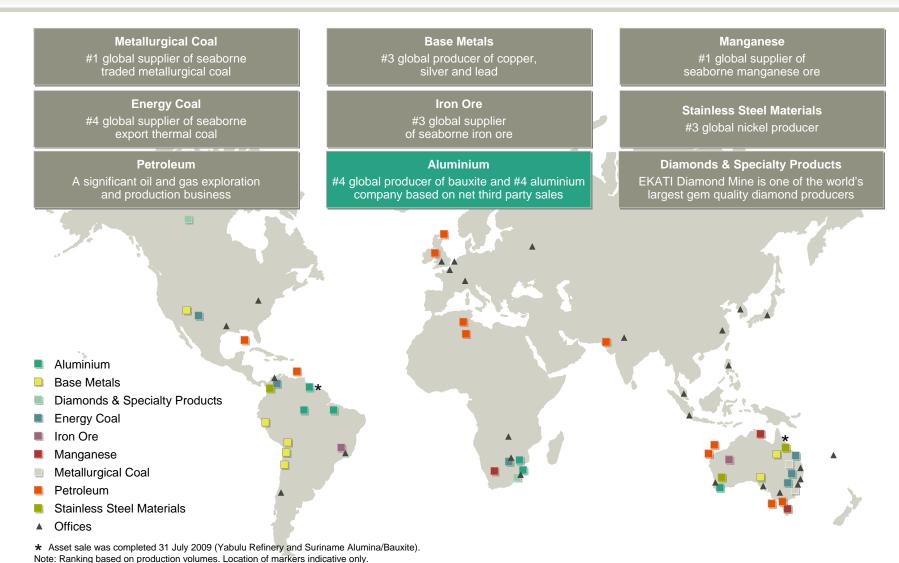
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Aluminium within BHP Billiton





Aluminium: Part of a Balanced Portfolio



Steelmaking Materials

- Iron Ore
- Metallurgical Coal
- Manganese

Non-Ferrous Products

- Copper
- Aluminium
- Nickel
- Diamonds

Energy Products

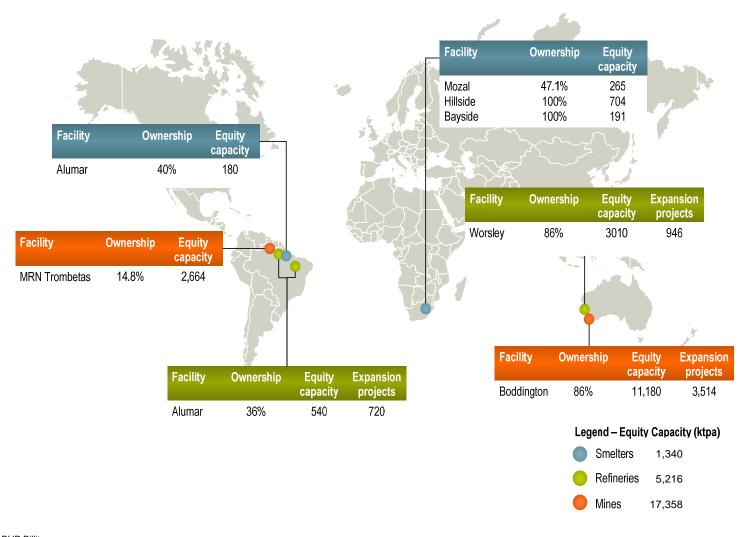
- Petroleum
- LNG
- Energy Coal
- Uranium



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Our Aluminium Portfolio





Source: BHP Billiton.

Bayside reduced capacity ~50%.



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There are several challenges ahead but the long term prospects for aluminium are sound



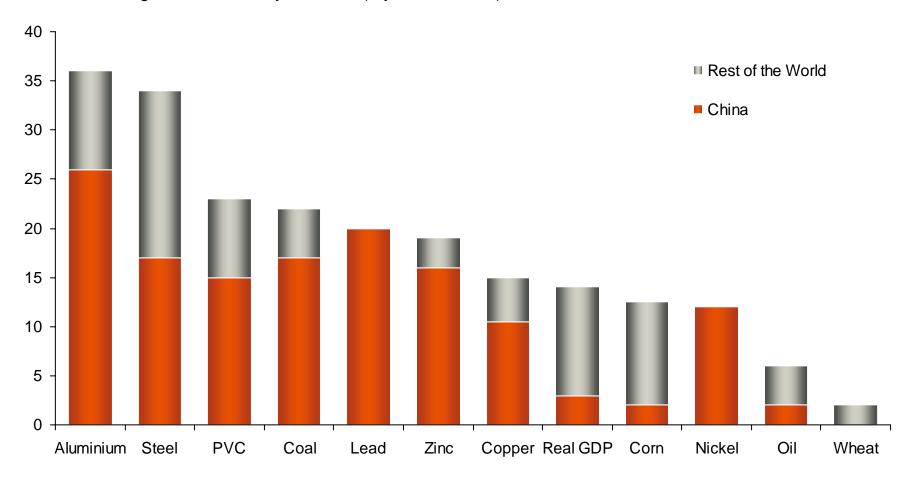
- Aluminium saw some of the best demand growth rates during the recent commodities boom
- However, Chinese supply has been a key influence on the aluminium market
- China continues to rely on overseas bauxite and alumina to meet the needs of its domestic metal industry
- China's domestic energy resources will need to be managed in the coming years
- The diversified customer base is a positive for its long term consumption path

Aluminium demand growth has benefited disproportionately from global GDP growth



Demand Growth

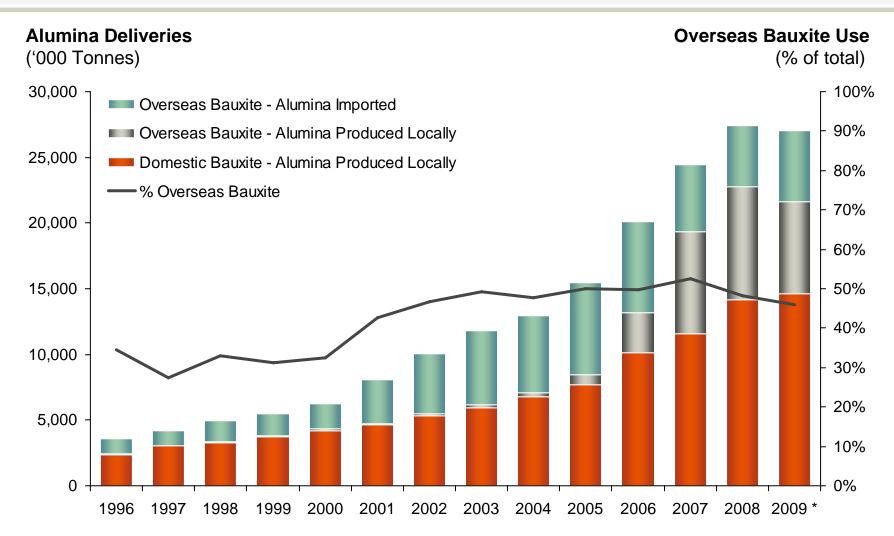
% increase in global commodity demand (5 years to 2008)



Sources: BHP Billiton, World Bank, Harriman, MEPS, Brook Hunt.

China continues to rely on overseas sources of bauxite



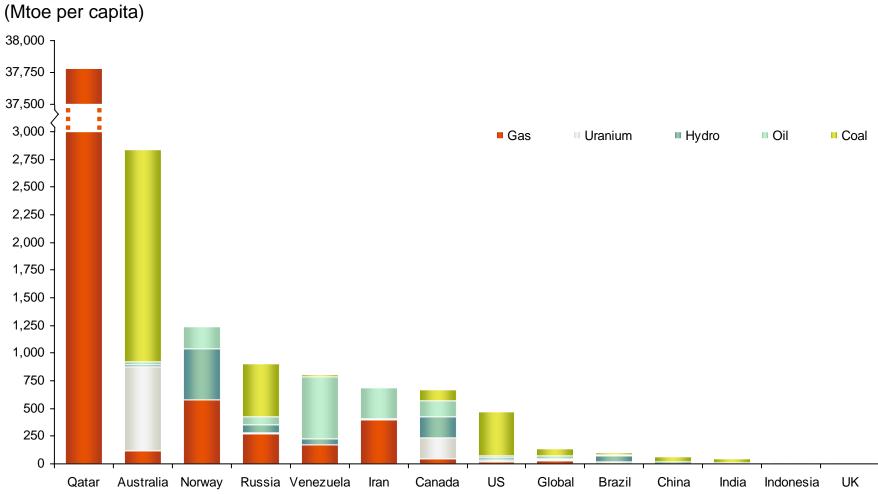


Sources: BHP Billiton, Antaike, Chinese Customs Data * YTD August annualised.

Energy resources will be an issue for developing economies





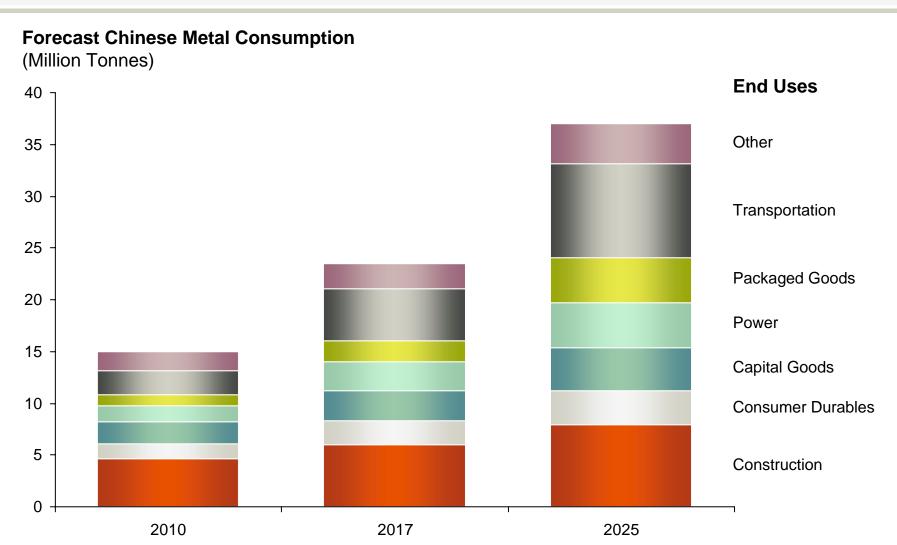


Sources: BP, World Energy Council. Hydropower is assumed to have a 50 year life span.

Aluminium has a diversified customer base



- Chinese consumption expected to become less dependent on construction



Source: BHP Billiton, McKinsey.



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Our Aluminium Strategy



- Growth of Tier 1 portfolio through low-risk brownfield expansions (Alumar 3.5 and Worsley E&G)
- Three bauxite basin approach to mining/refining development Western Australia, Guinea and Brazil
- Growth in smelting restricted to stranded low carbon power options, with expansion potential
- Present in the integrated chain but strive to price products in their respective markets (ie, price alumina on demand/supply fundamentals of that industry rather than linked to LME)

Low-Risk Brownfield Expansions: Worsley Efficiency and Growth Project



- E&G adds more than 1.1 Mtpa capacity to the existing 3.5Mtpa refinery
- Leading and lagging safety indicators are at world class performance standards
- Q3 2011 is the expected timing for full project mechanical completion, with incremental production commencing from Q2 2011
- Engineering now 85% complete, procurement well advanced and construction on schedule
- Multi Fuel Cogeneration facility construction on time and budget





Precipitation Tanks & Pre-assembly

Low-Risk Brownfield Expansions: Alumar Expansion Optimisation



- Brownfield expansion of the existing Alumina Refinery from 1.48 Mtpa to 3.5 Mtpa
- The refinery ownership is BHP Billiton 36%, Alcan 10% and Alcoa at 54%
- First additional alumina June 2009, completion ramp up remains within schedule of 2nd Quarter 2010
- Key components of construction already commissioned and in use. Project expected to be fully complete prior to calendar year end
- Costs on track within approved Board budget

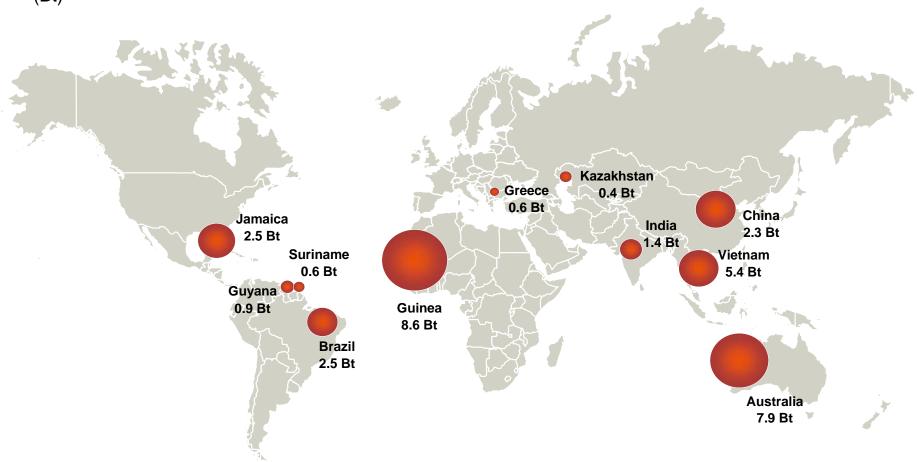




Global Bauxite Reserve Base – Three-basin strategy



World's top 10 bauxite deposit countries (Bt)

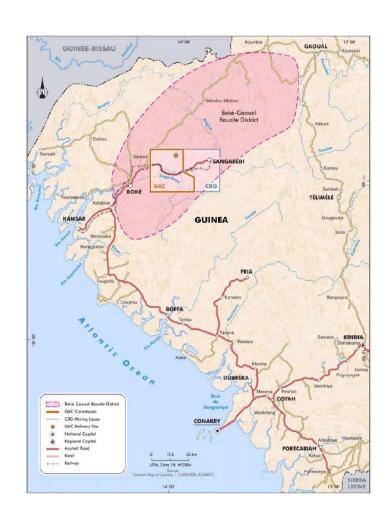


Source: USGS.

Three-basin strategy: Guinea project



- Long-life, world class bauxite resource with embedded options
- Strong government support
- Currently finalising feasibility study
- Greenfield projects are more challenging in new geographies



Low-Carbon Power for Smelting Growth Options: The Bas-Congo Region of the DRC



Competitive, Stable, Low-carbon Electricity

- Congo river, the world's largest under-utilised source of hydro-power
- Inga 3 hydro-power scheme only 150km away from the planned smelter location, reducing transmission cost up to 2,000MW power required

Local Supply of Alumina

 BHP Billiton is engaged in two bauxite/alumina projects in Guinea, West Africa

Advantaged Logistics

- Close proximity of deep water for port development
- Ability to serve markets in Europe and America

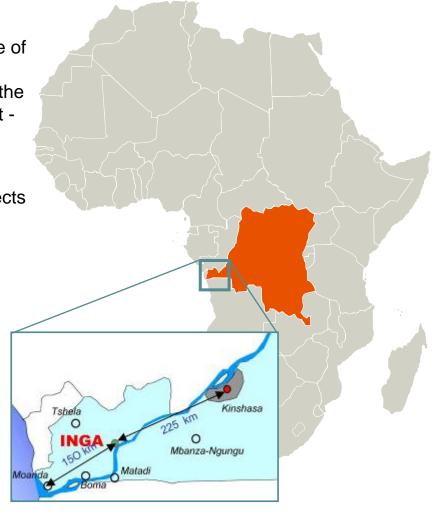
Support of Local Government

Government of DRC and of Bas-Congo province

Proven Track Record in Africa

 BHP Billiton developed and operates the Mozal aluminium smelter near Maputo, Mozambique

Concept study completed in Q1 2007 for over 800,000tpa aluminium smelter





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Summary



- Aluminium is a key part of a diversified portfolio
- BHP Billiton Aluminium has a high quality, low-cost Tier 1 asset portfolio
- Growth is skewed towards low-risk brownfield expansion projects
- Three-basin bauxite play feeding alumina growth options
- Low-carbon power for smelting growth
- Striving to achieve market pricing for all products

